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REMARKS

Please cancel claims 1 and 8.

Applicant thanks Examiner for indicating that claims 2, 5, 7-8, and 11 are allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 2 and 5 have been rewritten in independent form, and are thus now in allowable form.

Claim 6 has been rewritten to incorporate the limitations of claim 8. As this has the same net effect as rewriting claim 8 in independent form, claim 6 should now be in allowable form as well.

Claims 3-4 have been amended to depend from rewritten claim 2. Accordingly, they should now also be in allowable form.

Claims 7, and 9-11 depend from claim 6, and are thus now also in allowable form.

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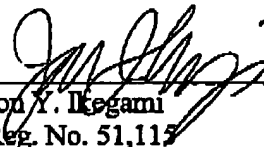
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